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Washington Precipitation Summary
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Precipitation in October was above normal for all of Washington state. And with October being the first month of the new Water Year, the whole state got off to an above normal start for that as well.

For Western Washington, the monthly percentage of normal for precipitation ranged from 127 percent for the Southwest Interior to 173 percent in the Olympics. The greatest amount of precipitation at the climate stations for the mountains, coast and interior lowlands was 20.44 inches at Forks in the Olympics, 19.53 at Quillayute, and 8.62 inches at Elma in the Southwest Interior.

For Eastern Washington, the percentage of normal for precipitation ranged from 111 percent in the Palouse and Blue Mountains to 170 percent in the Northeast region. The greatest amount of precipitation at the climate stations for the mountains and lowlands was 6.28 inches at Stehekin on the eastern slopes of the Cascades, and 2.83 at Northport in the Northeast region.

The outlook for November and beyond for Washington state, for the next two weeks the outlook is for above normal precipitation. The monthly outlook for November calls for above normal precipitation for the state. The three month outlook for November through January also shows above normal precipitation expected for the state.

The table below gives precipitation figures as a percent of normal for regions of Washington. The current water year began 1 October 2021 and ends 30 September 2022.

	October 2021	Water year to date	Past 3 months	Past 12 months
Western Washington				
Coast	160	160	156	109
Olympics	173	173	164	103
Northwest Interior	161	161	167	103
Puget Sound Lowlands	139	139	131	102
Southwest Interior	127	127	130	94
West Foothills Casca	151	151	142	100
Cascades West	133	133	140	100
Eastern Washington				
East Slopes Cascades	148	148	136	96
Okanogan	131	131	144	73
Central Basin	131	131	136	65
Northeast	170	170	150	78
Palouse and Blue Mtn	111	111	109	78

The table below expresses precipitation in inches and as a percent of normal for a variety of locations around the state. Occasionally missing data at a site are estimated using observed data from surrounding stations.

	October		Water year		Past 12 months	
	Inches	Pct	Inches	Pct	Inches	Pct
Quillayute	19.53	186	19.53	186	108.63	108
Hoquiam	7.64	117	7.64	117	73.40	108
Bellingham	7.12	196	7.12	196	41.91	118
Seattle	5.76	166	5.76	166	41.22	106
Olympia	5.39	117	5.39	117	54.20	108
Longview	4.95	123	4.95	123	46.55	97
Concrete	10.97	158	10.97	158	73.78	104
Snoqualmie Fall	9.06	159	9.06	159	60.11	95
Randle*	8.21	151	8.21	151	58.25	102
Diablo Dam	12.66	152	12.66	152	81.31	105
Stampede Pass	7.39	95	7.39	95	90.99	109
Paradise	13.35	128	13.35	128	110.78	96

Winthrop	2.28	211	2.28	211	13.85	93
Stehekin	6.28	188	6.28	188	42.58	117
Leavenworth	2.21	107	2.21	107	24.91	97
Mount Adams	4.77	122	4.77	122	43.50	95
Wenatchee	0.58	112	0.58	112	5.88	69
Yakima	1.01	187	1.01	187	6.01	73
Coulee Dam	0.95	140	0.95	140	8.75	80
Lind	1.17	144	1.17	144	6.46	65
Republic	2.33	235	2.33	235	16.16	91
Spokane	1.17	99	1.17	99	11.57	70
Pullman	1.59	78	1.59	78	15.12	84
Dayton	2.00	132	2.00	132	13.71	73

* = Estimated

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